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FOLLOWING REPEAT PARIS 26376 DTD 9/12/77.

QUOTE S E C R E T PARIS 26376

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E.O. 11652: XGDS-3

TAGS: US VN

SUBJ: US/VN RELATIONS: POSSIBLE MEETING AT UNGA

REF: STATE 217561

1. FOLLOWING DISCUSSION OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SEPT 30 FLIGHT TO HANOI TO PICK UP REMAINS, EMBOFF CONVEYED DEPARTMENT'S POSITION ON POSSIBLE US/VN CONTACTS AT THE UNGA, TRANSLATING VERBATIM INTO FRENCH (REFTEL).

DO THANH ASKED WHAT "APPROPRIATE LEVEL" MEANT, AND EMBOFF SAID THAT THIS MEANS THAT THE LEVEL SHOULD BE WORKED OUT BY BOTH SIDES, DEPENDING ON THE MATTERS TO

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BE DISCUSSED. DO THANH SAID THAT HE GATHERED THAT BILATERAL CONTACTS AT THE UNGA CONCERNING OVER-ALL RELATIONS WERE USUALLY AT A FAIRLY HIGH LEVEL. DO THANH IMPLIED THAT SRV WAS THINKING IN TERMS OF FOREIGN MINISTER TRINH/VANCE CONTACTS, BUT HE DID NOTE THAT NGUYEN CO THACH, WHO WAS DEPUTY HEAD OF THE DELEGATION, HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN INVOLVED IN

NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE USG.

2. DO THANH SAID HE WOULD CONVEY OUR POSITION TO HANOI
AND HOPED TO HAVE SRV IDEAS SOON.

HARLAN UNQUOTE VANCE

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